

### **Yoga diploma holders to get preference in Physiotherapy Graduate courses**

Yoga diploma holders will get a preference in admission to physiotherapy graduate courses, the University Grants Commission (UGC) has decided.

Candidates who hold diplomas in Yoga of a minimum duration of one-year will be given weightage in the admission process, subject to fulfilling the prescribed criteria of eligibility. As per UGC, these criteria of eligibility will be same for all the candidates for the Graduate and Post Graduate courses in physiotherapy, viz. Yoga diploma holders and Non - Yoga diploma holders.

These recommendations have been approved by the ministry of HRD.

"A candidate having at least one year diploma in Yoga may be given preference in admission, subject to the condition that marks secured in the entrance examination and other eligibility conditions are same to a candidate with similar credentials but not having said expertise in Yoga," a letter sent by UGC to all universities read.

UGC has also asked all the universities to take note of the above decision during admission process and convey the same to all the affiliated colleges.